

**Impacts of Federal Sequestration on Programs Administered by the County of San Diego
Department of Housing and Community Development**

Issue: Federal sequestration took effect on Friday, March 1, 2013, resulting in a 5.1 % reduction to federally-funded programs administered by the Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD).

Overall department impacts include total budget reductions of approximately \$6 million dollars across multiple programs.

Housing Choice Voucher ("Section 8") Rental Assistance Program

May result in HCD serving fewer families through attrition and/or voucher cancellation and/or reducing assistance to the families being served; no new participants will be added to the program until funding has stabilized.

- Program provides rental assistance to approximately 11,000 families monthly
 - Families live in privately-owned rental properties located throughout the San Diego region
 - A budget authority reduction of \$5.56 million will result in funding decreasing from approximately \$109 million to \$104 million for calendar year 2013.
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Other County HCD Programs

CDBG, HOME, ESG and HOPWA budget reductions will result in projects and/or programs funded at a lower rate and/or fewer projects funded; projects and programs currently under contract would not be impacted.

- A total budget authority reduction of \$447,000 will result in funding decreasing from \$8.7 million to \$8.3 million for County FY 2013/14.
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